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INFO AMEMBASSY BELGRADE

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SUBJECT: SC MEETING ON ME: PROPOSAL TO RESUME IN GENEVA

REF: A) STATE 124253

B) PARIS 16548

C) PARIS 16223

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1. EMPHASIZING THAT HE ACTING UNDER URGENT INSTRUCTIONS, EMBOFF MADE DEMARCHE TO QUAI UN DIRECTOR LEPRETTE JUNE 26 PER STATE 124253. THIS WAS FOLLOW- UP ON CONVERSATION JUNE 25 IN WHICH EMBOFF HAD EMPHASIZED US POSITION BASED ON SCHAUFLE STATEMENT IN SECURITY COUNCIL, AND HAD EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR RELATIVELY NEGATIVE POSITION TAKEN JUNE 22 BY FRENCH PERM REP; LEPRETTE IN TURN HAD EXPRESSED HOPE THAT US AND FRENCH POSITIONS COULD REMAIN ALIGNED.

2. ON BASIS REFTEL (A), EMBOFF EMPHASIZED TO LEPRETTE JUNE 26 THAT USG CATEGORICALLY OPPOSES CHANGE OF VENUE AND STRONGLY HOPES THAT GOF WILL NOT BE WOODED BY COUNTER- ARGUMENTS. LEPRETTE INDICATED THAT HE WAS FOLLOWING THIS MATTER CLOSELY WAND WAS WELL INFORMED ABOUT VARIOUS POSITIONS PER PARA 2 REFTEL (A).

3. LEPRETTE WOULD APPRECIATE ANY FURTHER INFO ON NATIONAL POSITIONS, PARTICULARLY SOVIET ATTITUDE. ANY LIGHT ACTION ADDRESSEES CAN THROW ON THS SHOULD BE TRANSMITTED TO EMBASSY URGENTLY.

4. LEPRETTE STATED THAT FINAL GOF POSITION HAS NOT YET BEEN DETERMINED AND PROMISED THAT US VIEWPOINT WOULD BE FULLY TAKEN INTO CONSIDERATION. HE SAID PARIS DOES NOT CONSIDER THAT GENEVA FALLS IN THE SAME CATEGORY AS HOLDING SC IN A LOCATION WHICH IS NOT A PRINCIPAL SEAT OF THE UN. HE ADMITTED THAT IF THERE HAD BEEN NO STRONG OBJECTIONS, GOF WOULD HAVE GONE ALONG WITHPOTENTIAL CONSENSUS FAVORING GENEVA. IN VIEW, HOWEVER, OF STRONG OBJECTIONS (PRESUMABLY OF UK AS WELL AS US), LEPRETTE PROMISED THAT QUAI WOULD RECONSIDER ALL ASPECTS OF THIS QUESTION BEFORE TAKING FINAL POSITION FOR JUNE 28 MEETING.

5. COMMENT: EMBASSY STILL BELIEVES, PER REFTELS (B) AND (C), THAT FRENCH WILL NOT BUCK SC MAJORITY FOR THE SAKE OF NEW YORK VENUE. THEY WILL TAKE OUR VIEWPOINT INTO CONSIDERATION - BUT ALONG WITH OTHERS. THIS WILL INCLUDE SOVIET POSITION, ESPECIALLY IN VIEW CURRENT RAMBOUILLET SUMMIT, AND WELL ESTABLISHED ARAB DISENCHANTMENT WITH NEW YORK PRESS' HANDLING OF ME AFFAIRS. SUGGEST USUN FOLLOW LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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DEVELOPMENT OF FRENCH POSITION CLOSELY, BOTH DIRECTLY AND VIA UKUN. EMBASSY WILL FOLLOW UP WITH QUAI AND WILL NEED ALL THE AMMUNITION ADDRESSEES CAN PROVIDE.
IRWIN

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